

Muenster Independent School District
Regular Board Meeting
December 14, 2016

1. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum: Mel Walterscheid . Called to order by Mel Walterscheid at 6:30 p.m. All board members were present. Visitors present: None
2. Opening Prayer: Kim Walterscheid led the prayer.
3. Consent Items: **A motion from Doug Hermes and second by Kim Walterscheid to approve the minutes from the November 9, 2016 School First Hearing, as presented: Vote 6 for 0 against, with 1 abstention (Darren Bindel.) Motion carried: 6-0-1.**
A motion from Kim Walterscheid and 2nd from Jeff Flusche to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 9, 2016, as presented: Vote 6 for, 0 against, and 1 abstention (Darren Bindel.) Motion carried 6-0-1.
4. ITEM # 4 OPEN FORUM – Audience participation & PUBLIC COMMENT
None
5. Reports & Information
 - a. Technology Director’s Report: Mr. Presnall
Mr. Presnall highlighted an updated ten year technology plan and funds required. The plan included replacement of 7 to 8 year teacher computers, replacement of desktop computers in the labs, replacement of 10 year-old servers and network upgrades including new routers, switches, and cabling, funds for technology for existing STEM classes and for possible course additions, replacement of chromebooks for students, replacement of cafeteria software and hardware to allow for better communication with home, and security systems for secondary campus. Estimated cost for 5 year plan is a conservative \$540,000. Since TEA cut the technology funds, about \$10,000 per year has been allocated each year. Several years ago, the technology budget was as high as \$80,000. Other highlights included information on the improved ESC 11 Technology Consortium for internet/email services which may be the best way to go in the future costing about \$1,200 per month for 10 gigs compared to Nortex cost of 800 per month for 1 gig. More study needs to be done.
 - b. Elementary Principal’s Report: Ms. Heers
Current enrollment on the elementary campus for the 2016-17 school year is 281 students. December Highlights: Father/Daughter Dance, joint Veterans’ Day ceremony with Sacred Heart, observation of *America Recycles Day*, sixth grade fieldtrip to the Bureau of Engraving in Fort Worth, partnership with the Muenster Chamber to do canned food drive. Major highlight was that the elementary was 1st place at the District UIL Meet in Chico.
Secondary Principal’s Report: Mr. York
Current enrollment on the JH/HS campus for the 2016-17 school year is 224 students. December Highlights: STAR Event Team focused a week on distracted drivers, FCCLA sponsored annual canned food drive, junior high also won 1st place at the District UIL Meet in Era, Junior High OAP received 2nd place, high school UIL virtual meets have begun.

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- c. Athletic Director's Report: Mr. Carney
Hornet varsity football program ended the season at 11 and 2, girls basketball varsity is 13 and 2 and has won the Clay County Classic and the Poolville Tourney, junior high girls improving each week with only 1 loss, junior high boys basketball is currently 5 and 1, and varsity is 11 and 0 on the season. The varsity has won both the Jacksboro Tourney and the Poolville Tourney.
 - d. Transportation Report: Mrs. Fleitman – Transportation repairs totaled \$1,371.92 for the month. Board reviewed remainder.
 - e. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Self -- The *Board Minutes* from Eichelbaum Wardell Reviewed, *Educational Foundations*, Texas Small Schools Task Force, Letter of Completion (11-9-16) from Tyler Bluff Windfarm, Ideal Impact Energy Savings of \$1,568.78 in October and \$2,048.60 for November, article on teacher moonlighting showed that 49% of teachers have summer jobs and that about 33% work other jobs during the school year with about 17 hours of grading and preparation outside of school each week; Chapter 41 Options and Contracts was approved by TEA; a very nice "Thank You" was received from the Muenster Chamber of Commerce for the work that Mr. Waneck and the ag students did in assisting with Oktoberfest; and Mr. Self reminded the Board of special board training on January 16, 2017 on School of the Future.
6. Board Governance, Policy, & Procedures
- a. Review Annual Board Training hours: Mr. Walterscheid red the following: Mel Walterscheid, 15 hours; doug Hermes, 15 hours; Kim Walterscheid, 12.25 hours; Matt Sicking, 15 hours; Jeff Flusche, 15 hours; Craig Stoffels, 15 hours; and Darren Bindel, 17.5 hours. Mr. Self stated that continuing board members are required to have 8 hours of training and new board members are required to have 16 hours. "All board members have the required hours of training."
 - b. Review/Consider/Approve Resolution Concerning Impact of UT Tyler Innovation Academy. The board review the statement of impact form and concluded that the addition of the Charter School would not only have impact on Muenster, but on all public schools. **Motion to adopt the MISD Resolution on Charter School Statement of Impact and to check the second box on the TEA form was made by Matt Sicking with a second from Darren Bindel, Motion carried 7-0.**
7. Facilities, Property, Safety, Security
- a. Review/Discuss Transportation Needs/Other Needs – Mr. Self went over major points on the MISD transportation fleet. There is only one bus less than five years old. Five of the eight buses are older than 10 years. Largest number of miles is on the 2003 suburban at 272,975 and lowest miles on the newest suburban with 116,487 miles. Buses do not have as many miles but they are on much tougher roads. MISD has 8 buses and 5 bus routes. The entire fleet of vans, suburbans, and cars need to be replaced with in 5 years at a cost of approximately \$400,000. Four buses will need to be replaced during that period at a cost of \$440,000.

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- b. Safety Security Audit requirements. Mr. Self shared the May 15, 2014 Safety and Security Audit with the Board and reported to the Board that “the addition of more security cameras could identify people on campus that have no purpose there.” This was the only recommendation made by the auditor. This would cost approximately \$100,000 according to NORTEX. An audit is required every three years and the 2017 audit is scheduled for late January/early February. Other needs reviewed included repair of the track for \$175,000, technology curriculum needs for \$110,000 and facility improvement needs for \$45,000. If we had another bond election, the windfarms would now pay about 40% of the payment.
8. Programs/Instruction/Curriculum/Student Performance/Accountability
 - a. Review /Discuss A-F Academic Accountability System -- Mr. Self presented information from TEA regarding the new system. MISD should know their rating by January 4th. Many education groups are protesting the A-F system and are encouraging legislators to rescind it.
 - b. Review/Discuss Performance Based Monitoring System -- MISD is not staged in any area of federal compliance, Bilingual, CTE, NCLB, or Special Ed. The High School did not meet the 60 % passing standard for SPED and missed system safeguards. Mr. Self will check on this at the Co-Op meeting on December 15th to determine if any special plan must be completed. Neither campus is on the Public Education Grant 2017-18 list,
 - c. Review/Discuss Student Course Choice Surveys -- Mr. Self went over the survey given to 4th thru 11th grade students. Courses that were most chosen were Welding Certification, Pre-Nursing, Criminal Justice, Band, Woodworking/Construction, and Additional Languages.
 - d. Review/Discuss Student/Faculty Cafeteria Surveys -- Mr. Self went over the cafeteria surveys given to students and teachers. This survey will be used by Walker Quality Services to improve service in the cafeteria.
9. Fiscal and Financial Management
 - a. Discuss Community Communications Strategy for District Needs – Mr. Self reviewed the timeline for the May 6, 2017 Election Calendar. February 17 is the deadline to call for the school board or bond election. Board members want to have a special workshop to discuss the possible bond on January 18th. They asked Mr. Self to have Leon Johnson, the MISD financial advisor, attend this special workshop.
 - b. Review Tax Report
Board Reviewed
 - c. Review Activity Accounts
Reviewed.
 - d. Review Cash Flow/Revenue and Expenditures
Reviewed. Expenditures are less than budgeted in every function.
 - e. Review Monthly Operating Expenses/Accounts Payable/Investment Update - Activity Report
Reviewed.

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10. Personnel/Employee Services & Planning: Review Resignations. The Board may convene in executive session in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act §551.074, Personnel, Superintendent Evaluation.

Entered into Executive session at 8:12 p.m. Adjourned from Executive session at 9:12 p.m.

NO ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned by Mel Walterscheid at 9:12 p.m.

Mel Walterscheid, President

Kim Walterscheid, Secretary